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It was not his wife, but Rose!—her mulatto double! Her face was rigid with fright, her beady eyes staring in their china sockets; her white teeth chattering. Yet she would have spoken.

"Hush!" he said, clutching her hand in a fierce whisper. But she had something white in her fingers; he snatched it quickly. It was a note from his wife—not in the disguised hand of her first warning, but in one that he remembered as if it were a voice from their past.

"Forgive my disobeying you to save you from capture, disgrace or death—which would have come to you where you were going! I have taken Rose's pass. You need not fear that your honor will suffer by it, for if I am stopped I shall confess that I took it from her. Think no more of me, Clarence, but only for yourself. You are in danger."

He crushed the letter in his hand. "Tell me," he said, in a fierce whisper, seizing her arm, "and speak low. When did you leave her?"

"Sho'ly—just now!" gasped the frightened woman.

He flung her aside. There might be still time to overtake and save her before she reached the picket lines. He ran up the gully and out on to the slope towards the first guard post. But a familiar challenge reached his ear, and his heart stopped beating.

"Who goes there?"

There was a pause, a rattle of arms, voices, another pause—and Brant stood rooted to the spot. Then the voice rose again, slowly and clearly: "Pass the mulatto woman!"

Thank God! she was saved! But the thought had scarcely crossed his mind before it seemed to him that a blinding crackle of sparks burst out along the whole slope below the wall, a characteristic yell, which he knew too well, rang in his ears, and an undulating line of dusty soldiers came leaping like gray wolves out of the mist upon his pickets. He heard the shouts of his men falling back as they fired; the harsh commands of a few officers hurrying to their posts, and knew that he was "hopelessly surprised and surrounded.

He ran forward among his disorganized men. To his consternation no one seemed to heed him! Then the remembrance of his disguise flashed upon him. But he had only time to throw away his hat and snatch a sword from a falling lieutenant before a scorching flash seemed to pass before his eyes and burn through his hair, and he dropped like a log beside his subaltern.

An aching under the bandage around his head, where the spent bullet had grazed his scalp, and the sound of impossible voices in his ears were all he knew as he struggled slowly back to consciousness again. Even then it still seemed a delusion, for he was lying in the hospital of the headquarters, with officers of the division staff around him, and the division commander himself standing by his cot, and regarding him with an air of grave, but not unkindly concern. But the wounded man felt instinctively that it was not the effect of his physical condition, and a sense of shame came suddenly over him, which was not dissipated by his superior's words. For, motioning the others aside, the major general leaned over his cot, and said:

"Until a few months ago the report was that you had been captured in the first rush of the rear guard, which we were rolling up for your attack, and when you were picked up, just now, in plain clothes on the slope, you were not recognized. The one thing seemed to be as improbable as the other," he added, significantly.

The miserable truth flashed across Brant's mind. Hooker must have been captured in his clothes—perhaps in some extravagant sally—and had not been recognized in the confusion by his own officers. Nevertheless he raised his eyes to his superior.

"You got my note?"

The general's brow darkened. "Yes," he said, slowly, "but finding you thus unprepared—I had been thinking just now that you had been deceived by that woman—or by others—and that it was a clumsy forgery. He stopped, and seeing the hopeless bewilderment in the face of the wounded man, added, more kindly: "But we will not talk of that in your present condition. The doctor says a few hours will put you straight again. Get strong—for I want you to lose no time—for your own sake—to report yourself at Washington."

"Report myself—at Washington!" repeated Brant, slowly.

"That was last night's order," said the commander, with military curtness. Then he burst out: "I don't understand it, Brant! I believe you have been misunderstood; misrepresented, perhaps maligned—and I shall make it my business to see the thing through—but these are the department orders. And for the present—I am sorry to say you are relieved of your command."

He turned away, and Brant closed his eyes. With it it seemed to him that he closed his career. No one would ever understand his explanation—even had he been tempted to give it, and he knew he never would. Everything was over now. Even this wretched bullet had not struck him fairly, and culminated his fate as it might. For an instant he recalled his wife's last offer to fly with him beyond the seas—beyond this cruel injustice—but even as he recalled it he knew that flight meant the worst of all—a half confession. But she had escaped. Thank God for that! Again and again, in his hopeless perplexity, this comfort returned to him. He had saved her. He had done his duty. And harping upon this in his strange fatalism, it at last seemed to him that this was for what he had lived, for what he had suffered, for what he had fitly ended his career. Perhaps it was left for him now to pass his remaining years in forgotten exile, even as his father had, his father—his breath came quickly at the thought—God knows, perhaps as wrongfully accused. It may have been a providence that she had borne no child, to whom this dreadful heritage could be transmitted.

There was something of this strange and fateful resignation in his face, a few hours later, when he was able to be helped again into the saddle. But he could see in the eyes of the few commanders who commiseratingly took leave of him a vague, half-repressed sense of some indefinite weakness in the man that mingled with their heartiest devotion to a gallant soldier. Yet even this touched him no longer. He came a wounded man; he went at the moment, almost as he had started from him, to the same dream which she had pursued, and

And then, as his figure disappeared down the road, the restrained commissary-of-wonder, surprise and criticism broke out:

"It must have been something mighty bad, for the old man, who swears by him, looked rather troubled. And it wuzdenuced queer, you know, this changing clothes with somebody—just before the surprise!"

"Nonsense!" said Hooker, dismissing his glass dramatically, "when a man's been cooped up in a rebel prison, with a death like bottom like that he's obliged to cross every time he wants a square drink, it seems sort of like a dream of his boyhood to be standin' here once more in his native heath, surrounded by a lot of white men once more. And when he knows he's his pay to all these trouble just for sake the reputation of another man, and the enemy of a free country, and mighty mean, like almost high and mighty enough to make his liquor go right to his head, it makes him feel—well, I'm afraid I'm not much of a hand at explaining himself. He stopped theatrically, seemed to choke emotionally over his humble speech, but with a power of dramatic determination finally dashed it down. "No, gentlemen," he continued, gloomily. "I don't say what I'm back in Washington for—I don't say what I'm goin' anyhow to myself when I've been pulling the wounds under my blankets in Libby prison—but of you don't see some pretty big men in the war department obliged to climb down in the most humble days my name ain't Jim Hooker, of Hooker, Measham & Co., army beef contractors, and the man who saved the fight at Gray Oaks!"

The smile of satisfaction that went around his audience—an enthusiasm quite to cover the weakness of any performance—might have startled a vanity less oblivious than Hooker's, but it only aroused Brant's indignation and pity, and made his position still more intolerable. But Hooker, mentally extrapolating a thin stream of tobacco juice against the spittoon, remained for an instant gloomily silent.

"Tell us about the fight again," said a smiling auditor.

Hooker looked around the room with a certain dark magnificence, and then in an affected lower voice, which his theatrical experience made perfectly audible, went on: "It ain't much to speak of, and if it weren't for the principle of the thing I wouldn't be talkin'. A man who's seen Inja fightin' don't go much on this here West Point fightin' by rule-of-three—but that ain't here or there. Well, I'd bin out a-scoutin'—just to help the boys along, and I was sittin' in my wagon about daybreak, when along comes a brigadier general, and he looks into the wagon flap. I oughter to tell you first, gentlemen, that every mind's he was expectin' an attack—but he didn't let on a hint of it to me. 'How are you, Jim?' says he. 'How are you, general?' says I. 'Would you mind lending me your coat and hat?' says he. 'I've got a little game here with my pickets, and I don't want to be recognized.' 'Anything to oblige, general,' says I, and with that I strips off my coat and hat, and he peels and puts them on. 'Nearly the same figure, Jim,' he says, lookin' at me. 'Suppose you just try on my things on me.' With that he hands me his spare full uniform, by God—with the little gold cords and loops and the epaulets with a star, and I puts it on—quite innocent like. And then he says, handin' me his sword and belt: 'Same inches round the waist, too, I reckon,' and I puts that on, too. 'You may as well keep 'em on till I come back,' says he, 'for it's mighty damp and misty here at this time around the swamps.' And with that he lights out. Well, gentlemen, I hadn't sat them five minutes before bang! bang! rattle! rattle! bang-ahhs! and I hear a yell. I steps out of the wagon; everything's quite dark, but the rattle goes on. Then along comes six orderly lancers' a horse. 'Mount, general,' he says. 'We're attacked—the rear guard's on us!'

He paused, looked around his audience and then in a lower voice said, darkly: "I ain't a fool, gentlemen, and in that minute a man's brain works at high pressure, and I saw it all! I saw the little game of the brigadier—to skunk away in my clothes and leave me to be captured in his. But I ain't a dog, neither, and I mounted that horse, gentlemen, and lit out to where the bugle was firin'! I didn't dare to squeak, lest they should know me, but I waved my sword, and by G——! they followed me! And the next minute we were in the thick of it. I had my hat on full of holes as that ice strainer; I had a dozen bullets through my coat, the fringe of my epaulettes was shot away, but I kept the boys at their work, and we stopped 'em! Stopped 'em, gentlemen! until we heard the laughter of the rest of our division, that all this time had been resting that blasted rear guard over on us! And it seemed the Johnny Rebs made a last dash and cut me off—and there I was—by G——! a prisoner! Me that had saved the fight!"

A ripple of ironical applause went round as Hooker gloomily drained his glass and then held up his hand in scornful deprecation.

"I said I was a prisoner, gentlemen," he went on bitterly, "but that ain't all! I asked to see Johnston, told him what I had done, and demanded to be exchanged for a general officer. He said: 'You be d——d.' I then asked to see the division commander-in-chief, and told him how I had saved Gray Oaks when his brigadier was away. He said: 'You be d——d.' Pat him 'you be d——ded' from the lowest private to the commander-in-chief, and when I was at last exchanged—I was exchanged, gentlemen, for three men and a bushel of wagon sheet!"

"Why don't you see the president about it?" asked a bystander in effect of consternation.

Mr. Hooker stared contemptuously at the suggestion, and experienced the scornful disdain. "Not much!" he said. "But I'm going to see the man that carries him and his cabinet in his breeches pocket—Senator Brougham!"

"Broom pointer's a big man," considered his auditor, doubtfully. "Do you know him?"

"Know him?" Mr. Hooker laughed a bitter sardonic laugh. "Well, gentlemen, I ain't the kind o' man to go in for family influence, but" he added with gloomy elevation, "considerin' he's an in-ti-mate relation of mine by marriage, I should say I did."

Brant heard no more; the floating ground of his old companion around the bar gave him that opportunity of escaping he had been waiting for. The declamation of Hooker and his partisans in regard to the circumstances of his capture, and, of course, the story he no longer questioned his good intentions, they were powerless to control him in his greater torment. Only one thing he feared, that Hooker himself might tell his story in such a way as to implicate him in his treason, but he knew that nothing of his own would be given to the world. Moreover, he had committed himself to nothing, and his silence on the subject would be construed as a part of his self-abnegation. And the allusion to Broughton, the senator from the district in which his father had lived, and which he himself had represented in Congress, was a guarantee that Hooker would not betray him. He had heard of his marriage with Broughton's daughter, a union which was said to be distasteful to the family of the senator himself, while the death, disgrace and ruin of his father, which had overwhelmed with the unpopularity of the secession of the prophet and the subsequent events, had shocked at that sudden change, his friends. But he shook hands with Hooker, and he was almost in tears upon the occasion of the man's unbraiding; he was about to say a few pathetic words to the shocked and astonished Hooker, when he was interrupted by the sudden appearance of the orderly from the headquarters, looking over the heads of the group of officers. He was evidently looking for some one, and Brant, who had attracted the attention of the orderly, was about to step forward, when the latter, with a perfunctory salute to the group, but without recognition, handed a letter to Brant's companion, and then, saluting the latter, turned away.

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REPUBLICAN TICKET.

ELECTORS-AT-LARGE.

[illegible] Potter,	Joseph Wharton,
[illegible]	Lyman D. Gilbert,
[illegible]	Robert E. Pattison.

DISTRICT ELECTORS.

[illegible] Patterson,	Henry C. Freeze,
[illegible]	J. B. Everly,
[illegible]	Frederick Z. Bamle,
[illegible]	C. Brown Miller,
[illegible]	E. Bardsley,
[illegible]	George F. Sweet,
[illegible]	Hon. A. C. Wallace,
[illegible]	William P. Hambright,
[illegible]	Samuel Worthington,
[illegible]	Samuel Speer,
[illegible]	Edward R. Abrams,
[illegible]	Jacob Ambold,
[illegible]	William Schaner,
[illegible]	Joseph C. Campbell.

FOR PRESIDENT,

WILLIAM MCKINLEY

FOR VICE PRESIDENT

GARRETT A. HOBART

FOR CONGRESSMEN AT LARGE,
GALUSHA A. GROW,
SAMUEL A. DAVENPORT

FOR JUDGE,
HON CHAS W STONE.

FOR STATE SENATOR,
HON A F BANNON,
Subject to decision of Democratic Conference.

FOR REPRESENTATIVES,
HON HERMAN H NORTH
HON R A DEMONEY

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY
MERIDAN GORTON

FOR PROTHONOTARY ETC
GEO W MITCHELL

FOR SHERIFF,
J FRED DAVIS

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
WILLIAM A YOUNG,
SAMUEL DAVIS

FOR COUNTY AUDITORS,
J C CANNON JR.,
C W FREEMAN

Honest money, protection, reciprocity and patriotism. "Oh party fair"

Democratic Congressmen left Washington for Roosevelt's Bay last Tuesday. From now until the session closes he will yawn the time pleasantly drowning bright worms.

The Brinton crime law went into practical effect last Wednesday. The Olean Times says "after the measure has had a fair trial it will prove one of the most beneficient laws upon the statute books of the State."

The Mirror predicted on April 24th that the Democratic Presidential nominee would stand on a free silver platform. At the present writing there is no question but what such will be the case. This will again split the party in twain as it did in 1860, but on entirely different lines.

The gentleman whose integrity was brought into question by the article in last week's Democrat, in regard to the number of sheep in the county, expected to have an answer in this week's issue of the Mirror, but owing to the pressure of business he was unable to furnish the number. His reply will appear next week.

Mr. McKinley's unequivocal endorsement of the sound-money plank and his declaration in favor of a dollar "as good as the best in the world," which "cannot but only be current at its face value at home but must be accepted at par in any and every commercial market of the globe," will make up for many deficiencies in the rest of his speech.—N Y World.

The Confederate veterans met at Richmond, Va., last Tuesday to hold their annual reunion and dedicate a monument to Jeff Davis. This will be an object lesson to European nations that will astonish somewhat of a surprise—the oldness of a nation dedicating a monument in honor of the man who tried his utmost to destroy it. This is not for the purpose of waving the bloody shirt, but shows how time changes the hearts of men, and allows them to do such surprising things under our flag.

Below will be found the views of Mr. Wallace, a delegate from the State of Washington to the Chicago convention. "Should the convention adopt a 16 to 1 platform and nominate a silver candidate, it will not be thirty days before the issue is clearly defined and reduced to panic vs. no panic, with the result that the combined business interests of the country will be arrayed against that candidate whose election means panic. It is a long time between now and election, and the wage earners of the country will have abundant opportunity to study whether their wages shall be paid in a 50-cent dollar."

The Philadelphia Times editorially says of McKinley's speech "If these conditions are fulfilled the gold standard must be maintained, and, having pledged himself fully to their fulfillment, Mr. McKinley is pledged unconditionally to the maintenance of the existing or gold standard, and, being an honest man, is not likely to cheat the people if elected. With the candidate thus publicly committed to an honest financial system the Republican party is at last in position to make an honest battle for honest money and to invite to the support of its candidate every voter of whatever party name who believes that the American dollar should possess the full purchasing power of 100 cents."

MCKINLEY NOTIFIED.

Last week the committee, consisting of one member from each State and Territory which were selected at the St. Louis convention, headed by Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, visited Major McKinley at his home in Canton to give him public notice of his nomination to the Presidency by the Republican party. Senator Thurston gave the usual address on such occasions, to which Gov McKinley responded. Below will be found a part of the address and it leaves no doubt in the mind of any fair-minded man that he will be the President that will restore confidence to the nation.

"Should the people ratify the choice of the great convention for which you speak, my only aim will be to promote the public good which in America is always the good of the greatest number, the honor of our country and the welfare of the people. The questions to be settled in the national contests this year are as serious and important as any of the great governmental problems that have confronted us in the last quarter of a century. Our industrial supremacy, our productive capacity, our business and commercial prosperity, our labor and its rewards, our national credit and currency, our proud financial honor and our splendid free citizenship, the birthright of every American, are all involved in the pending campaign and these very hours is the hand to be directly and intimately connected with their proper settlement. Protection and reciprocity, twin measures of a true American policy, should again command the earnest encouragement of the government at Washington. Public confidence must be restored and the skill, the energy and the capital of our country find ample employment at home, sustained, encouraged and defended against the unequal competition and serious disadvantages with which they are now contending. The national credit, which has thus far fortunately resisted every assault upon it, must and will be upheld and strengthened. Until sufficient revenues are provided for the support of the government there will be no necessity for borrowing money and increasing the public debt. The complaint of the people is not against the administration for borrowing money and issuing bonds to preserve the credit of the country, but against the ruinous policy which has made this necessary, owing to the policy which has been inaugurated. During all the years of Republican control following resumption there was a steady reduction of the public debt while the gold reserve was sacredly maintained and our currency and credit preserved without depreciation taint or suspicion. If we would restore this policy that brought us unexampled prosperity for more than 30 years under the most trying conditions ever known in this country the policy by which we made and bought more goods at home and sold more abroad the trade balances would be quickly turned in our favor and gold would come to us and not go from us to the settlement of all such balances in the future. The contest this year will not be waged upon lines of theory and speculation, but in the light of severe practical experience and new and dearly acquired knowledge. The great body of our citizens know what they want and what they intend to have. They know for what the Republican party stands and if we would return to power means to them. The platform adopted by the Republican National Convention has received my careful consideration and has my unqualified approval. It is a matter of gratification to me, as I am sure it must be to you and Republicans everywhere, and to all our people, that the expressions of its declaration of its principles are so direct, clear and emphatic. They are too plain and positive to leave any chance for doubt or question as to their purport and meaning."

HARRIET BEECHER STOWE DEAD.

Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe died at her home in Hartford, Conn., last Wednesday at the age of 84 years.

Her pen has done more for the liberation and advancement of the colored race than any other person living or dead. Her "Uncle Tom's Cabin," published in the National Era at Washington in 1851, set the whole north aflame over the indignities that were being heaped on the unfortunate slaves. The tale was so pathetically told and so true to life that it awakened the whole country by the startling facts that it contained as nothing had ever done before. The southern slave holder was confronted with the true state of affairs, of which, in most cases, there was no denial—that he was treating a down-trodden human being like a brute. Consequently it aroused a spirited animosity in the south against the north, which eventually ended in bringing about the war of the rebellion and the liberation of the slaves. The colored race should erect a lasting monument in honor of their great benefactress.

Thus has passed away another of America's greatest authors.

CREAMERY VERSION OF THE TEN COMMANDMENTS.

The Alden, Ia., Times is responsible for the following

1. Thou shalt not slumber late in the morning, but shalt rise early and deliver thy milk to the factory, for he that goeth late causeth the butter maker to use much profane language.

2. Thou shalt not cast all the dirt thou canst brush off the cow into the bucket.

3. Thou shalt not take any cream for thy tea or coffee, for when thou getest thy dividends, one shall say to another, "why taketh it more milk here for a pound of butter than at any other creamery?" Then shall the butter maker arise and hold thee up to ridicule with the Babcock rotary test.

4. Thou shalt not mix water with thy milk, thou nor thy man servant nor thy hired girl, for so surely as thou doest this thing, thy name shall be Dennis over the length and breadth of the whole milk route.

5. Thou shalt not feed thy cows too much potatoes, onions, mustard, horseradish or bad cabbage, for these feeds, though they be cheap as all cost down, cause the butter maker to gnash his teeth exceedingly and the butter eater to buy his butter somewhere else.

6. Thou shalt not set thy can of night milk in the cellar with the cover off in order to use it for a trap to catch rats and mice therein, neither in the woodshed as a temptation to neighbor's cats.

7. Thou shalt not carry away more skim milk or butter milk than thy share lest some shall say concerning thee, "For a weasel one hog carrieth food for another."

8. Thou shalt not use unclean cans but shalt cause thy cans to be washed every day and the seams and crevices thereof, for a filthy can is abominable in the butter maker's sight, and he will visit wrath upon him who bringeth it.

9. Thou shalt not trouble the butter maker saying, "When shall I receive my pay," for verily I say unto thee, he knoweth not neither careth a little bit.

10. Thou shalt not pay one solo another, "Lo, behold, have not these milk builders a soft snap? They receive much pay and work not very hard at all." Verily I say unto thee, this is a whopper. They rise early, eat loll much, and nevertheless the board of directors refuseth to buy another separator they will be obliged to rest Sunday morning when other people are hunting themselves within the gates of the synagogue.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Special Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, June 30, 1896.—Mr Cleveland is so thoroughly disgusted with the present attitude of a majority of his party on the financial question that he wants to be where he can commune with the wild waves of Buzzard's Bay when he hears the news from the Chicago convention, and he is accordingly making his arrangements to leave Washington this week. It took a long time for him to get it through his head that a large majority of the Democratic party was for free silver, but now that all the delegates to the Chicago convention have been selected, he is at last convinced, and he is mad all the way through about it, and is taking it out on members of his cabinet by accusing them of misleading him in regard to Democratic sentiment in their states.

The best informed Democrats now accept it as practically a settled fact that the platform adopted by the Chicago convention will declare for the free coinage of silver, and the efforts of the anti silver Democrats are now being directed towards getting a man whose opinions on that subject are not radical, nominated for President, and they haven't much hope of accomplishing even that much. They will not bolt if they fail, but it is an open secret that none of them will render any active help in the campaign for a radical silver man on a free coinage platform, and that many of them who do not, for reasons of their own, care to openly repudiate their party's ticket will quietly knife it at the polls without the slightest compunction.

It seems practically certain that more than nine tenths of the German Americans will be found working and voting for McKinley and Hobart this year. The German American sound money league, composed of both Republicans and Democrats, has served notice upon each individual delegate to the Chicago convention that the German-Americans will support no platform which does not declare against the independent free coinage of silver under present circumstances. In this notification were some interesting figures gathered by the league. Of the 581 German American newspapers in this country which discuss politics 439 are in favor of the present money standard, 20 are for the free coinage of silver, and 43 have not taken a definite stand on either side. A majority of these papers are published west of the Allegheny mountains.

Mr J K McDonald, manager of the Elyton Land Company, of Birmingham, Ala. who has been a Democrat all his life, is now visiting Washington. He says he is inclined to vote for McKinley and Hobart, and that many of his Democratic friends and business associates will do the same, because they consider free coinage which he calls as great a delusion as was the old greenback movement to be dealt against the business interests of Alabama.

Although the hardest work of the campaign will not be on until all the nominations for Congress have been made, things are already quite brisk at the rooms of the Republican Congressional campaign committee and much literature is being sent out. It is the purpose of the committee to concentrate its work upon those districts which may reasonably be considered doubtful. Chairman Babcock hasn't the slightest doubt about the Republicans retaining control of the House but he will work just as hard as though it were a matter of doubt, in order that the majority may be as large as possible.

Senator Gorman's friends make no bones of charging the responsibility for the triumph of the silver wing of the party upon Mr Cleveland. They claim that the latter has been urged to write a letter saying that he was not a candidate for renomination and that he would not attempt to control the choice of the convention. This Mr Cleveland refused to do, until the silver wing was in control, and even then he so worded the letter that he might still accept the nomination should any chance combination of circumstances bring him the opportunity. They say further that it would have been easy to have defeated the silver wing of the party had it not been for the fear on the part of many Democrats that active opposition to free silver would be accepted as friendliness towards Mr. Cleveland and his third term ambition. Senator Gorman reiterates his determination not to go to Chicago. He doesn't fancy butting his head against the silver wall, knowing that nothing can be accomplished thereby, except to make enemies for himself among the silver men in his party, and that he doesn't want to do at this time, as there are silver Democrats in Maryland and he wants to get re-elected to the Senate. If he can get a majority of Democrats elected to the next legislature Maryland Republicans say this is a very formidable "if."

DUN'S REPORT.

The monetary outlook is not yet clear to some. The strength shown in recent conventions by advocates of silver coinage, and expectations that all the elements favoring that policy may yet be consolidated, incline them to a waiting attitude. Their uncertainty retards improvement, notwithstanding more widely prevalent feeling that the monetary action of the St. Louis convention will be sustained by the people. But many mills have waited as long as they can with safety, and signatures have been given by enough cotton mills of Fall River to insure a temporary stoppage. It is stated, the nature of which is now under discussion in conference with the Providence manufacturers. Meanwhile the Pacific of Lawrence and the Nanmkeag of Salem have closed for a time, and practically all the Southern cotton mills will be represented at a meeting on Monday with the same object. Woolen mills are acting without concert, but fourteen are mentioned in despatches as having closed this week. There is no similar movement in other industries, though the period of summer closing is at hand in many of them, and important controversies as to wages of iron puddlers and other hands make it likely that the annual stoppage in that industry may last longer than usual.

Who will have charge of the Democratic band wagon at Chicago? There is no one that seems anxious to drive it, and no visible crowding among the spectators to secure seats in the old rig. Chairman Harrity will be compelled to offer a premium in order to secure passengers.

Free Pills.

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of constipation and sick headache. For malaria and liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c per box. Sold by A. W. Colegrove and A. B. Armstrong & Co., druggists.

When we consider that the intestines are about five times as long as the body, we can realize the intense suffering experienced when they become inflamed. DeWitt's Colic and Cholera Cure subdues inflammation at once and completely removes the difficulty. A. W. Colegrove, Smethport, A. E. Stickles, Mount Jewett.

Blood purifiers, though gradual, are radical in their effect. Hood's Sarsaparilla is intended as a medicine only and not a beverage, stimulant or beverage. Therefore people may not always follow it; but after a reasonable time, properly taken it certain to be realized.

THE PITTSTON DISASTER.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., June 30.—It is almost a settled fact today that of the small army of men which entered the ill fated Twin shaft, at Pittston, on Saturday night, not one survives. Not only is every approach to their dark tomb barricaded by enormous masses of rock and debris, but it is known that in the mine there is a large quantity of water which is increasing in volume with every minute. Thus the chances of recovering their bodies are more remote than ever.

The slope is choked up to the shaft with debris and the efforts of the gang of rescuers are confined to keeping the shaft clear.

The work of making an opening in order to reach the entombed men was begun in earnest by making a bore hole at the rear spring gallery which led into the Twin shaft. After reaching it on the surface work was begun in driving in a hole with a diamond drill from the Clear Spring [illegible] foot of the slope where the men are supposed to be under the fall.

This hole is being driven diagonally for the first. It is an experiment to learn whether there is gas or water below with a view of ascertaining the feasibility of driving an airway from Clear Spring to the foot of the slope. If a can be readily accomplished, as there is an indication on the drill on the surface which shows which [illegible] below. The drill will go [illegible] feet [illegible] and it will take [illegible] to drill [illegible] necessary to drill [illegible] airway. After [illegible] satisfactory the rescuers will begin an airway to a point where the fall is [illegible]

It is thought [illegible] away that after this airway has reached [illegible] referred to weeks or months may be consumed in clearing away the fall of coal in order to reach the bodies of the victims.

The supposition is that there is water in the twin shaft as well as [illegible]. Both the Lackawanna [illegible] Susquehanna rivers run in close [illegible] shaft. The surface [illegible] No rock lies [illegible] there [illegible] water wash to the depth [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] re was [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] perhaps [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] owe in the [illegible] [illegible] are [illegible]

When the [illegible] of rock mental [illegible] shattered allowing the water [illegible] to large [illegible] until the [illegible] space below was filled.

The natural [illegible] of this is that if the men [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in the mass of rock they must be covered by drowning. If it is the case it will be impossible to recover their bodies from the mine. The story will be a repetition of the Hazleton disaster.

Superintendent Law is loath to believe that the water comes from the river. He believes that it is the natural accumulation due [illegible] the fact that the pumping engines are [illegible]. The mines was always watery and two engines were kept busy day and night pumping it out.

Mine Inspector McDonald has issued the following official statement:

So far as my knowledge of the workings of the mine goes and the manner in which the work was conducted I do not believe the accident was due to any criminal carelessness but I cannot say definitely that it was not until I make a thorough investigation. This cannot be done until we find the men or abandon the mine.

James Langan a son of the entombed man attempted to crawl a wheelbarrow by descending but succeeded in crawling over the first two falls in the slope and reaching within 50 feet of where the men were supposed to have been at work. He says that there was a vacant spot between and he believes the entombed men are in there. He also says that the ventilation is good.

If this story is true it upsets all previous theories. No one doubt is entertained regarding it however Langan is greatly excited over his father's death and the mine officials believe his narrative is only the wish that fathers the thought.

His undertaking was a hazard to use, but the boy was desperate and as he knows every inch of ground in the mine he could go where others would not think of going.

Inspector McDonald refused to express an opinion on young Langan's alleged exploration, but it is the general impression that he did not reach as far as he claims.

Nervous Prostration

Cured by Dr Miles' Nervine.

Prolonged derangement of the nervous system not only affects the mind and mental powers, but disorganizes the whole vital organism. The most dangerous of these indirect results is when the heart is affected. This was the case of Rev N F Surface, Davis River Mich who writes under date of Feb 14 1896

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Be it ordained and enacted by the Burgess and Council of the borough of Smethport, Mc Kean county Pa, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by authority of the same that from and after the passage of this ordinance it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to mark, paint, tack or fasten in any manner, any kind of advertisement, bill or notice, bitch or tie any team, beast or conveyance to any telegraph or telephone pole in said borough. And any person or persons violating this ordinance shall forfeit and pay to the use of the borough the sum of two dollars to be collected on conviction of such offense before the Burgess or any Justice of the Peace, as fine and costs are collectible in an action of trespass.

Passed June 1 1896.

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Secretary

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E E Mayo Treasurer in account with Smethport Boro School and Bond Fund

Dr

To bal last and [illegible] report	$ [illegible]
To amount from Col Gallup [illegible]	[illegible]
To amount from [illegible] collup	[illegible]
Bond tax	[illegible]
State allowance	[illegible]
To tuition	[illegible]
Bank [illegible]	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]

Cr

By [illegible] on interest	$ [illegible]
By repairs	[illegible]
[illegible] wages	[illegible]
Text Books	[illegible]
Supplies	[illegible]
Fuel and contingencies	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
Balance due [illegible]	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]

[illegible] account with Smethport Boro School Fund.

Dr

To bal from last [illegible]	$ [illegible]
To [illegible] per cent	[illegible]
To [illegible]	[illegible]

Cr

By cash to [illegible]	[illegible]
By [illegible]	[illegible]
By [illegible]	[illegible]
By [illegible]	[illegible]
By [illegible]	[illegible]
By [illegible]	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]

[illegible] account with Smethport Boro School Fund.

Dr

To bal last auditors report	$ [illegible]
To 5 per ct. additional	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]

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By cash [illegible]	$ [illegible]
By [illegible]	[illegible]
By [illegible]	[illegible]
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LOCAL AND GENERAL

Attend the railroad meeting to-night.

Marcus, of Olean has a new adv. this week.

Your presence is needed at the meeting to-night.

New local notice of Dr Pierce in another column.

—Col. Robert Ingersoll will lecture in Bradford on July 11.

—James McGuire's eagles (3) are developing into good sized hawks.

—George Wood is conductor on the train between here and Ormsby.

F. G. Lindholm has an eleventh hour advertisement in this week's issue.

The oak walk on King street in front of the jail has been repaired.

There is certainly a fine difference in the price of old and new potatoes.

A. J. Bellaer has withdrawn from the Ledger Publishing company of Olean.

Notice the change in the adv. of the Novelty restaurant, T. J. Young, proprietor

A new walk has been constructed in front of L. K. Hogarth's residence on Main street.

F. G. Lindholm's Sunday school class had a picnic above town, near the Brennen farm Wednesday

The Corinth ball team defeated the Austin team in a hotly contested game last Saturday. Score 7 to 5.

There must be some great attraction over on the Two Mile that causes Leon Golgoby to visit there so often.

George Rudolph, the Clermont tailor, seems to be right in the swim. Plenty of work and of first-class quality

Janitor S. G. Bush has a fine collection of small trout in one of the fountains of which he feels justly proud.

J. C. Gallup now occupies the desk in the register and recorder's office, formerly held by S. K. Bell, who has retired.

A. W. Day and Owen Baker, who were committed to jail for costs, were released Wednesday under the insolvent act.

Lester Grimes, of Grimes, Liberty township, died of peritonitis last Wednesday. He suffered greatly before his death.

The young people gave a dancing party at the opera house last Monday night, and report having had a most enjoyable time.

—The latest report from the Hutton mine disaster states that there were fifty-nine white entombed in the mine at the time the cave-in occured.

—Examine the label on your MINER and if you are in arrears for subscription we should be pleased to exchange a receipt for the money.

—McClure's and Harper's Magazines for July are exceptionally fine. McClure's contains excellent cuts of Longfellow, Whittier and Holmes.

—A gentleman passed through town last Wednesday at 3 p. m., who claimed he had whooped from Buffalo since morning of that day a distance of 90 miles.

—Almost every newspaper has something to say about the bicycle face or common sore-a-dye. The bicycle face is not in it with the all day sucker face.

—Last Tuesday night J. C. Hamlin had the pleasure of conversing with his son-in-law, Mr. Bosworth, at Brooklyn, a distance of 600 miles, over the 'phone.

—Swan Larson, who was injured by falling from a wagon in Kane last Thursday, died at the Kane hospital the next day. The remains were taken to Kanehelm for burial.

—N. W. Helmsman sent us invitation for us to join the basket picnic at the Ridgway hot, on Saturday, July 4. Previous engagements will prevent our going, but thanks just the same.

—All present and former residents of Norwich township are invited to a basket picnic, at the Ridgway hot, on Saturday, July 4. Trains will run at 7:40 and 10:30 a. m., and at 1:30 p. m.

—George A. Weatherup, of Kane, has started a new fraternal paper for the benefit of the lodges in this section of the country. It is a good thing and Georgie placed in [illegible]—Sunday Post.

—About fifteen persons from this place attended the social given by the W. C. T. U. at the residence of Chas. Anderson, at Colegrove, last Friday night. An interesting program in charge of Mrs. Sanborn was rendered. After a lunch of ice cream, strawberries and cake, all departed for their homes feeling that the family of Mr. Anderson had aided materially in making the evening pleasant.

—Those who were fortunate enough to attend the services at St. Luke's last Sunday night enjoyed a rare musical treat, especially vocal. Prof. Wilson, Misses Grace and Alice McCoy, Miss Cora Mason, Dr. McCoy and Fred Berryman all sang solos. All the singers were at their best, and it would be difficult to find voices, outside of the larger cities, that could surpass those at St. Luke's church.

Bradford seems to be putting on base ball airs. The Era of Monday speaks of their team as being able to play ball, and states there is a project on foot to form a league to be composed of Bradford, Titusville, Oil City and Franklin. Well, brother Dennison, there is a nine on this side of the hill that may be able to pull some of the tail feathers out of your base ball eagle before the yellow is on the pumpkin.

Last Monday Leroy Colegrove, while riding his wheel on Main street, collided with a young lady also on a wheel and both took a tumble in the dust. The young lady was somewhat shaken up but not seriously injured. The wheels were considerable damaged. We advised our young friend to be more careful in the future of his arduous attachment for young ladies and not send them splashing from their wheels.

A female spotter is visiting different stores throughout the country and purchases a small quantity of laudanum, epsom salts and a few other light articles which grocery dealers are not allowed to sell except in original packages. Several days later the merchants who sell are served with a supreme court summons, alleging they had violated the law and must respond in sums from $150 to $300 with $20 costs.—Ex.

Where is that meat? The Smethport MINER says: Conductor Bogart expressed a young woodchuck to Mayor Fagnan, President of the Bradford Wheelmen's club, Wednesday. Record: The Mayor did not use the varmint fairly. He turned it over to the leader meeters of Chief of Police Roddy, and it is now doubtlessly suffering in the bastile instead of being properly tattooed for the delicate appetites of the Woodchuck club.

D. M. Roberts and sister, Miss Nellie, left Wednesday for their new home at McKeans switch, where Mr. Roberts will continue the mercantile business, having sold his Smethport store to A. G. Gould. Mr. Roberts has had a branch store at McKeans Switch for some time and will now give it his general supervision. Miss Nellie will teach the school there this winter. Their many friends with the MINER, wish both abundant success and a happy life.

—Mr. and Mrs. Erastus Curtis, Mrs. M. Smith and Mrs. Corwin were taken to the M. E. church last Sunday morning by Mr. W. P. Eckels in his carriage to attend divine service and listen to a specially prepared sermon delivered by the Rev. J. W. Sanborn for the old folks. The service was very impressive throughout, and must have been very gratifying to the aged worshippers. The combined ages of the five occupants of the carriage was 377 years.

—The drillers who are putting down the oil well for Golah & Rees at Corbettsville were surprised on Saturday last to strike a strong flow of gas at a depth of 760 feet in the first sand. The flow was so strong that they were compelled to extinguish the fires in engine and let their new hawser under control and feel much elated over striking so much gas at such a depth as it prophesies that the well when completed will be a gusher. Foster Democrat. This well is located seven miles above Smethport on the Allegany River.

The people of Bradford and vicinity have lost none of their appreciation of a good horse race. The interest manifested in the summer locals on state sports to-day leads us to think more could be made annually paid off in Bradford.—Era. The MINER heartily approves the above. There is more genuine sport in one good running race than all the trotting and pacing races scheduled. The board of managers of the Bradford Trotting Association are to be congratulated in giving their visitors such an excellent time at the races.

Last Sunday was Emporium's visiting day at the several churches and the base famous Metzger was kept on the jump, while the party remained, but he wore a smile of contentment while it lasted. Following is the list of visitors: Mr. C. F. and Miss Mayme Logan, Miss Mina Bryan, J. W., H. L., James and Miss Martha Kaye, Mr. H. L. and Miss Sarah McDonald, N. D. Hutchins, E. G. Strait, H. Lowe, C. Howard, C. Wing, I. Havens, S. Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Logan, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Judd, Mr. and Mrs. John Hinkle and Mr. Bryan. They all visited St. Luke's church and enjoyed the service and fine music, returning home very much pleased with their trip.

The Sacred Concert.

Probably one of the best musical entertainments ever given in this borough was the concert given at the Free Christian church last Thursday night. The concert was opened with an anthem by the choir, followed by a short prayer by Mr. Hultman, who was formerly a minister in Omaha. Mr. Hultman then sang a beautiful solo, and was ably followed by Mrs. Cecilia Goodrel, whose voice made a deep impression on the audience. A duet by John Carlson and Victor Engquist, entitled "David and Goliath," was highly appreciated. This duett was followed by a duett by Mr. Hultman and Mrs. Goodrel, and the beautiful tones produced by the combining of these two fine voices is beyond description. Rev. J. W. Sanborn, on being called upon to make a few remarks, expressed the thoughts of the entire audience in saying that the music in the Swedish language, although not understood by the Americans present, was inspiring and awakened the higher sentiments of the soul. Mr. Hultman, by request then favored the audience with a piano solo entitled "The Storm." His wonderful execution on this instrument captured all present. After he had sung another solo the audience was dismissed by a prayer, and all felt that they had enjoyed a rare treat. We hope the Swedish brethren will favor us with more of their fine music.

Notice.

For the past 15 years Dr. Pierce, our popular dentist, has enjoyed a nice little dental practice for which he is under many obligations to his many patrons. From July 1 Dr. Pierce will be pleased to treat all in need of his services to somewhat of a surprise to the way of very reasonable charges, bringing dental operations within the reach of all. All work will be of the very best and fully guaranteed. A continuous practice of 25 years is a guarantee that you will be fully satisfied.

Call early and bring your friends.

Sunset in size but great in results. De Witt's Little Early Risers act gently but thoroughly, curing indigestion, dyspepsia, and all stomach troubles. Small pill, safe pill, best pill. A. W. Colegrove, Smethport, A. E. Stickles, East Smethport.

SOCIETY AND PERSONAL.

D. P. Gair visited Kane Wednesday.

Judge Morrison was in Bradford yesterday.

W. W. Seymour, of Ormsby, was in town Sunday.

C. V. White, of Eldred, was in town on Monday.

Comrade B. F. Wright visited Emporium Monday.

Miss Rose Grumbine visited Bradford Wednesday.

A. F. Pope, of Olean, came up last Wednesday night.

E. F. McCann, of Bradford, was in town last Saturday.

J. W. Jenkins transacted business in Bradford Wednesday.

Chas. McAfee wheeled over from Johnsonburg Tuesday

Tom Morrison went to Meadville last Saturday to visit friends.

Miss Maud Kay, of Colegrove, was in town on Saturday last.

I. B. Gyatt and William Kule were down from Norwich Monday

George Backus came up from Olean Monday for a few days' visit.

J. F. Davis and W. H. Morrison, were over at Rixford Tuesday

Mrs. Burt Olson, and daughter, Frances are visiting in Conderport.

Mrs. Mary A. Backus and son, Harold, visited Bradford Wednesday.

A. F. Brewer, of Norwich, was a pleasant caller at this office yesterday.

The veteran K. F. Looker, of Kane, was in town yesterday on business.

Ray Greeson, of Bradford, was in town on business the first of the week.

Mesdames F. H. and C. M. Colegrove visited Ormsby friends yesterday.

F. L. Cowley, of Mt. Jewett, transacted business in town on Saturday last.

S. E. Bell purchased the first ticket for Kane under the new management.

Dean's T. R. Clark and little daughter drove over from Bradford Monday

F. C. Cobb, of Crosby, was a pleasant caller at the MINER office Monday.

S. J. McKenrick and Julius Dampman, of Clermont were in town Wednesday.

Miss Kate Knight, of Eldred, was the guest of Mrs. E. S. Mayo over Sunday.

Robert Young came home from Buffalo last Saturday night looking well and happy.

Norman Grubb, son of ex-Sheriff Grubb, of Bradford, has been visiting friends in town.

Prof. C. B. Kelley, of Port Allegany, was a very pleasant caller at this office Tuesday.

W. J. Hendricks, of Duke Centre, was greeting his many friends here Tuesday

F. P. Whaley, of Rochester, a class mate of Arthur Mitchell, arrived here Wednesday night

J. F. Godden and Frank Jackson, of Bradford, were in town on business last Saturday night

John Beardsmore, an extensive lumberman of Clermont, was in town on business Wednesday.

A. Alexis, collection of Mt. Jewett, was in town last Monday settling up his tax duplicate

John C. Looker and daughter, of Summit, were Wright House guests the first of the week

S. D. Weaver, of Kane, came down here Monday to see how McKinley matters were coming on

Misses Verna and Edna Hafner left for Clarion last Monday to attend the commencement exercises.

C. W. Catlin, H. N. Kane and E. B. Todd all Port Alleganyites were in town the first of the week.

Mrs. Henry Kasch, of Buffalo, has been spending a few days with her cousin, Mrs. Sheridan Gorham.

W. Anderson, one of Clermont's prominent citizens, was a pleasant caller at this office Wednesday.

J. F. Boyle, a former typo on the Mt. Jewett Herald, was a genial caller at this office last Saturday

W. F. Mathers and J. I. Smith, of Clermont, were interested spectators at the ball game on Friday last

Philip Hafner, of Kasson, was in town on Monday and was the guest of Dan Bacon for most of the Chautauqua.

F. F. Clark, of Bradford, general manager of the Hazelhurst & Smethport R. R., was in town last Saturday on business.

Mrs. F. N. Blakeslee and Miss Ethel Sartwell, of Olean, came up Wednesday and were guests of Miss Mate Sartwell.

Rev. I. W. Sanborn went to Hinsdale Wednesday morning to attend the convention of the Sunday school of the Genesee conference.

Misses Rose King, Alma McDowell, Bertha Hodge and Belle Abbey wheeled over from Port Allegany Wednesday, returning Thursday

Dan Ahern returned Sunday night from Lewiston where he had been to attend the grand council of Jamestown last week, very much pleased with his trip.

Gilbert Moody, one of Corydale's staunch Prohibitionists, kindly remembered the MINER Wednesday. Mr. Moody reports the farmers all busy in his section.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Williamson, of Canisteo, arrived Monday for a few days visit with Dr. Burt Hardwick. Mrs. Williamson is the mother of Dr. Chadwick.

Burgess F. D. Hopkins, wife and daughter, Miss Jessie, and Miss Cone Calkins, of Smethport, are guests of the Baptist parsonage.—Monday Democrat.

Miss Hilda Frank started for Harrisburg last Monday for an extended visit. Her sister, Mrs. J. E. Rogers, accompanied her as far as Kane, where she will remain a few days with the Colonel and then go to Harrisburg for a visit.

F. Harry Chase, who has been on the MINER force for some time past, severed his connection with the same last Saturday night. Mr. Chase is an excellent workman and the MINER takes pleasure in recommending him to the craft.

Will H. Gallup and Ned Newman returned Wednesday from several day's fishing on Straight creek. Ned claims to have caught over four hundred. Will does not claim to have caught any as it kept him busy cooking for Ned.

Mrs. M. B. Greer and daughter, Sarah, left last Tuesday night for their new home in Kane, where Mr. Greer has a position as chief clerk in the Thompson House. May they find as pleasant a home in Kane as they enjoyed here.

Joseph F. DeSilver, of Washington, D. C., arrived Monday and is the guest of Ray Young. Mr. DeSilver is one of the Pennsylvania college boat crew who contested with Cornell and Harvard crews at Poughkeepsie last week.

The Kane Republican says: There were present from Smethport Lodge the following Masons: T. H. Ryan, R. F. Wright, Jonathan Colegrove, L. W. Dunn, W. P. Eckels, H. C. Wells, W. F. Specht, E. M. Kerns, A. W. Colegrove, H. M. Choate, G. W. Mitchell, Davault Martin and J. M. Robinson. Also from Smethport Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Mayo. Mrs. W. P. Eckels and Mrs. T. H. Ryan to attend the funeral of Frank Lyle.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitution disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., of Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

It would be hard to convince a man suffering from bilious colic that his agony is due to a microbe with an unpronounceable name. But one dose of DeWitt's Colic and Cholera Cure will convince him of its power to afford instant relief. It kills pain. A. W. Colegrove, Smethport, A. E. Stickles, East Smethport.

T. H. Parfit offers two new Deering mowing machines for the small sum of $30.00 each for cash. Here is a bargain for anyone in need of such a machine.

These warm days and nights go to Brasted's for a glass of ice cream soda. Everything reasonable in the market on hand.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

A Meeting of the Citizens of Smethport will be held in the Opera House Building To-night (July 8th) at 8 O'clock, to Take Some Action on the much - talked - of Cleveland Dance Railroad to Smethport.

AROUND THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities Picked up by Our Regular Correspondents.

ANNIN CREEK.

S. L. Holcomb was in Eldred Saturday.

Frost nipped the vines a little Tuesday night.

R. C. Gallup was over from Port Allegany Monday.

E. G. Tubbs was doing business in Shingle House Friday.

F. K. Winship and wife were in Port Allegany Saturday.

Levi Winship and wife were calling on Coryville friends Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hodge, of Coudersport, have been visiting in this place.

Ray Foote and John Bease, of Port Allegany, were on our street Sunday.

Mrs. Lucinda Harder visited at Rev. P. Miller's at Turtle Point one day last week.

Mrs. Languade and Miss Re Winship drove to Olean Thursday returning Friday.

Farmers are preparing for haying. Hay will be a better crop than was first expected.

A. S. Wood and wife, of Portville, were calling on Mr. and Mrs C. H. Holcomb Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Holcomb, of Allentown, were guests of C. H. Holcomb and family over Sunday.

Milo Evans drove to East Smethport Sunday after his sister, Amelia, who has been visiting her cousin, Miss Kate Donaison.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Barton, Warren Smith and daughter, Miss Minnie, came over from Rixford Saturday, returning Sunday.

Mrs. Washburn, who is staying with her daughter, was stung on the top of her head by a honey bee one day last week, from the effects of which she came near dying.

CLERMONT.

Mrs. M. Segrue has had a new sewer built

Mr. M. R. Daily spent Sunday with his family at Ischua, N. Y.

Phil P., has a fine watch dog that guards his bed room during his absence.

There will be a dance here to-night for the benefit of the ball club. All are invited.

The basket social and dance held here last Friday for the Catholic church was a great success.

George W says he has resigned from the field since the defeat by the second team Sunday.

Brakeman Wm Andrews was squeezed about the shoulders while coupling cars Tuesday

J. C. Gallager, conductor of the work train, has returned to this city and taken charge of trains again after an absence of five weeks.

There was a wreck on the new road Saturday about three miles from here, which had to have a wreck train from Olean to clear the track.

The first base ball nine and the second nine played a game last Sunday, which was won by the second team. Score 17 to 13. The first nine is now very anxious to get most of the second team to join them. Keating was a mark but they could not find Clark. The second nine would like to play them again for the new suits that have been ordered, and would like to meet some local team any Sunday.

STRAIGHTS.

Wednesday evening June, 24, 1896, Miss Nellie E. Lounsbury, Great Record Keeper of the L. O. T. M. for Penna., organized a Hive in this place. Straight Hive, No. 110, has started with a large charter of energetic ladies and is in a fair way to be one of the most successful Hives of the State. They organized in the K. of P. Hall. Miss Lounsbery has won many warm friends here who will always be glad to welcome her. The following are the newly elected officers: P. L. C., Ida A. DeShetler, L. C., Cora B. Allen; L. L. C., Minnie E. Beattie; R. K., Nora E. Stevenson; F. K., Elizabeth Kapp; Chaplain, Amy Towers; Physician, A. W. Colcord; Sergeant, Carrie Ballard; M. at A., Leona Jordan; Sentinel, Alma Hallberg; Picket, Gene Gaster; First Banner Bearer, Anna Brunner; Second Banner Bearer, Cora Cooper; Third Banner Bearer, Nina Gaster.

An Ideal Stopping Place.

Messrs. Weiand and Cass, of East Smethport, in company with Dr Pierce, wheeled a 60 mile trip last Sunday to Emporium and return. One of the most pleasant features of the trip was a few hours' stop with our former townsman, Frank N. Taylor, who is proprietor of the large hotel at Gardeau, where the richest mineral springs in the United States are located. The hotel has recently been remodeled and furnished throughout, also equipped with numerous baths together with the best attendants that can be had. This mineral water is said to contain stronger medicinal properties than those located at Mt. Clemens, Mich. They found the tables bountifully supplied, in fact everything about the whole house had an up-to date, tidy appearance. After dinner they were treated to some fine music. They heartily agreed that Frank was the right man in the right place, and wheelmen can find no more enjoyable place to stop than at this summer resort. Wheelman.

Business Change.

Mr. A. C. Gould, of Buffalo, who comes well recommended and who has already made many friends here, has bought out my stock of groceries, and I cheerfully recommend him to my customers. Thanking you for your past patronage and hoping you will give a fair trial to my successor, who I think will soon gain the good will of the people, I remain,

E. M. ROBERTS.

Great Oaks from Little Acorns Grows.

In a line from the trite old verse we used to recite in our school boy days. It has a forcible application to those small ailments which we are apt to disregard until they reach formidable proportions. A fit of indigestion, a slight attack of constipation, it is assumed, will soon pass off, but is very apt to get worse, and in the meantime is neglected until the habit becomes chronic, and then, if not entirely eradicated, is a constant annoyance and menace of worse consequence, for diseases, once fixed, beget one another. How much wiser to resort to a course of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters at the outset of the malady than to temporize with it in the start, or treat it with violent remedies in its maturity. Be on time with disease, or it may "floor" you. Malarious, rheumatic and kidney complaints, dyspepsia, constipation, biliousness and nervousness are all disorders of rapid growth, and should be "nipped in the bud" by a timely resort to the Bitters.

T. F. Anthony, Ex-Postmaster of Pocahontas City, Iowa, says: "I bought one bottle of 'Mystic Cure' for Rheumatism and two doses of it did me more good than all the medicine I ever took." Sold by A. B. Armstrong, Druggist, Smethport, Pa.

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CARRIAGE PAINTING done to latest style.

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Have you tried our latest

WOOLWORTH'S BLUE LILIES,

ALSO

LIGHTNER'S RED CROSS,

FARKER'S SWEET CHIMER,

BALDWIN'S QUEEN ROSE.

These are our specials. We also have a complete stock of regular odors made by the best manufacturers, such as White Rose, Jockey Club, Violet, Crab Apple Blossom, Carnation Pink, etc.

You should examine these odors if you are a lover of first-class perfumes.

H. C. Wells,

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A store full of new Spring Goods and still receiving new stuffs every day.

The warm weather of the past few days has opened the channels of trade.

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GOODS

in great variety of the Newest weaves and styles. Mohairs are attracting great attention this season. They are the correct thing for traveling and business wear. We have them.

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Light Summer Goods, Silks, Organdies, Dimities, Mull, Batiste, Grenadines and Chiffons is Unparalled.

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SILK, CLOTH AND KERSEY CAPES.

LADIES SHIRT WAISTS,

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Celebrated Buckeye Banner Binder

These are standard goods and without a superior in their line.

If you want anything in the above line do not fail to correspond with or call and see me and get prices.

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A New Line of Goods at Prices that defy Competition.

Hay Rakes, the best 3-bar,	$5.00
Scythes and Snaths, the best grade that I can buy,	65c
The best heavy creek shank with strap, 3-tine hay forks,	90 cents
Scythe Stones,	10c each
X L C R Lawn Mower, (This 16-inch mower is the best made.)	$8.15, sent $1.00
Spring Wire Mattress,	$4.50 to $6.50
Wool Mattress,	$4.00 and $5.00
Excelsior Cotton Top Mattress,	$3.95
Best made hard-wood beds,	$1.65 to $4.50
Express Wagons, (Get the best sizes large.)	$1.40 to $6.50
Large wood butter bowls,	10c to 15c
Willow Clothes Baskets,	60c and $1.00
Six-foot Extension Tables,	$5.50
Children's Rocking Horses,	65c to $2.00

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EAST SMETHPORT, PA.

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Low Prices vs. High Prices!

High Grade Goods vs. Low

Which one will win? The public are the judges.

THE RESULT—Low prices and high grade goods [illegible] H. W. Marcus'. For 15 years a struggle has been [illegible] competition to obtain big profits on Dry Goods [illegible] Marcus has downed them every time.

Look out for a land slide in prices on [illegible]

Prices for every day in the week: Our lot of [illegible] feathers) 7½c per yard; One lot challies at 2½c a yard; [illegible] sian lawns at 3½c a yard; 25 doz. new shape [illegible] silk umbrellas at 95c each; 25 pieces percales at 7½c a [illegible] mitts at 10c, 15c, 25c up; 50 pieces best gingham at [illegible] pieces indigo print at 4c and 5c; Entire stock of [illegible] prices, the 20c, 18c, 15c and 12½c, all at 10c a yard;

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Every garment for Ladies, Misses and Children [illegible] special reduction and Every 20th Purchaser gets Their [illegible] Free at

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The Dandy Clothes Wringer, iron frame with steel springs,	$1.25
No. 8 Copper Bottom Boiler	75c
No. 9 " " "	65c
14 quart agate dish pan, best quality	25c
The Sunrise Alarm Clock, regular price $1.25	75c
Good quality envelopes, per package	5c
120 sheets good writing paper	15c
Lead pencils, per dozen	5c
Gentlemen's fine suspenders	12 to 48c pair.
" Cotton half hose	5 pairs for 25c and upwards.
A line of Ladies' black hose	from 6 to 35c pair.

Also a line of Ladies' Tan and Balbriggan Hose.

CORSETS!

SAMPSON, as the name indicates, is one of the strongest corsets ever put on the market, having patent unbreakable side sections, handsome shape, greatest value ever offered 48c

COOL OFF. Summer corset, made of best net, warranted not to rip out at the seams, only 49c

A fine line of Fans from 1c to $1.25 each.

N. N. N. Thread, just as good as any made, 4c a spool, 5 spools for 10c.

50 yard spool Silk Thread 4c.

Filo Embroidery Silk 4c skein.

Buggy Whips from 12 to 22c each.

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DEALERS IN Fresh and Salt Meats,

Sausage, Poultry, Vegetables, Apples, Fresh Fish, Oysters, Home-Made Mince Meat,

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between cheap shoes and shoes cheap. The former is false economy—the latter true. Don't forget there's as much evil in paying too little as paying too much. The motto of some stores is, "not how cheap, but how good." The motto of some other is, "not how good, but how cheap." Our motto is, "Good and Cheap." We are closing out our Tan Shoes at a big reduction and if you want a pair at a low price come along pretty quick.

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We have about three dozen ladies and children capes which we have been selling at $1.50 and $2.75, but will close the balance out at $1.00 each.

Look for Bargains in [illegible] Don't forget the Bargain [illegible] It matters [illegible] to you.

Mrs. T. D. Nash,

Brasted's

Confectionery [illegible]

BLACKSMITH SHOP.

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Having opened business in the above place, has now prepared tools at all kinds of repairing of wagons, horseshoeing, &c. Satisfaction guaranteed.

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Many cases of so called heart disease are only cases of acid dyspepsia, in the stomach. The irritation from the acid hinders the action of the heart, through the pneumogastric nerve, and very often the excessive retarding power of this peculiarly acting nerve, becomes a very serious matter; the heart makes the greatest effort to do its work, but there is a shortness of breath which cannot be made up for, and the feeling throughout the chest is very distressing. Sometimes this acid arises and causes an acrid sensation in the throat; at other times the burning is up and down the chest.

Another stomach trouble is that form of dyspepsia which gives pain after eating. Persons with this disease seem to have but a scant measure of nerve strength; when food is being digested, the stomach sends the concentration of all of the nerve and brain force, and if reading or close thought is attempted soon after eating, the stomach commences that intolerable aching which dyspeptics dread so much, when, the only immediate relief appears to be to stop the mental activity and get up and move around. In such cases there is evidently for the time being, too little nerve power to divide between the stomach and the brain; each one alone needs it all to enable it to perform its labor.

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Women having the care of a household on their minds, find Dr. Day's Stomach and Nerve Tonic to be a great blessing, it gives better digestion, better nutrition, more strength, cures that feeling of weariness in the morning, that anxiety of mind, that fear that something is going wrong or that something bad is going to happen, cures dizziness, shortness of breath, pressure through the chest, belching of wind, rumbling in the bowels, heartburn, and all forms of dyspepsia that come from weakness.

Mrs. Eben Pierce, of Horle, Potter Co., Pa., writes: "I can truthfully say that I owe my life to your stomach and nerve tonic. I was troubled with my stomach for over a year and tried everything I could hear of, but did not get any benefit. I was nearly in despair for although I had only four in family, I could not begin to do the work for them, as my anxious friend wrote me to try Dr Day's Stomach and Nerve Tonic, and I did. I did not expect to ever get any better but was greatly relieved on taking the first dose and now after taking only one bottle of your remedy I can do my work and my stomach does not hurt me only when I do very heavy work. I shall continue its use until I am entirely cured, for I am perfectly satisfied that it will cure all such stomach troubles. I thank you dear Doctor, a thousand times over, for putting before the public such a wonderful remedy for human suffering."

Mrs. Albert Harman, of 2005 Fifth Ave., Altoona, Pa., writes, "Dr Day's Stomach and Nerve Tonic has done me a power of good, that burning after meals has left me. I have always been so nervous that I would take nervous spells so bad sometimes that I would have to send for the doctor, but have not had one since I commenced using your stomach and nerve tonic."

H. C. Beatty, Barkeyville, Pa., says: "For years I had a severe pain in my stomach after meals; one bottle of Dr Day's Stomach and Nerve Tonic cured me, I think, permanently."

J. C. Fulton, of Burgettstown, Pa. writes, "I have been afflicted with the rheumatism and was laid up in bed a good part of the time; my stomach was in a bad condition and would not retain food. I began to use Dr. Day's Stomach and Nerve Tonic it not only helped my stomach but relieved me of the rheumatism and also increased my weight wonderfully."

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OPEN THEIR CONFERENCE TODAY.

Leaders of the Bimetallic Forces Say They Will Adopt a Free Coinage Platform and Nominate a Man Who Stands For Silver.

CHICAGO, June 20.—The advance guard of the bimetallic Democratic national committee arrived in Chicago and opened headquarters at the Sherman House.

Ex-Congressman T. C. Towles of Jefferson City, Mo., secretary of the committee, announced that the storm center of the silver movement was formally transferred to Chicago.

Senator Harris of Tennessee, chairman of the organization, who may preside over the convention, reached the city to attend the meeting of the committee today.

John W. Tomlinson, the Alabama representative on the committee, is at the Palmer House with C. S. Thomas, the member from Colorado, and the other members will arrive this evening.

Some of the most prominent silver Democrats in the country are at the head of the bimetallic committee.

Governor Stone of Missouri, ex-Speaker Crisp of Georgia, Senator Turpie of Indiana, Allen W. Thurman of Ohio and H. P. Silvey, Democratic nominee for governor of Indiana, are among the arrivals.

The meeting is not to be of as general a character as has been supposed. It will be composed, to a large measure, of representatives of the Bimetallic committee, which was organized in Washington last August, and there will also be present other leading silver Democrats, to whom invitations have been especially extended.

Commencing today, meetings will probably be held daily until the convention meets.

The general purpose of the meetings is to exercise a supervisory care over the interests of the silver cause in the Democratic convention.

The conference was first decided upon two months ago, when the silver people were not so sure of being able to control the convention as they now are and when they considered it possible that it would be necessary, in the protection of their interests, to keep an eye upon the proceedings of the National Democratic committee. It was considered important at that time that the silver people should have such a perfect understanding that there would be no doubtful moves made in the convention or elsewhere. Now they profess that they are sure of victory, and that they do not longer feel the necessity for such caution.

Among the matters to which they do propose to give their attention are the contests for seats in the convention made by silver men and the selection of a temporary chairman of the convention and possibly later in the preparation of a platform and if necessary the selection of candidates.

Major T. C. Towles of Missouri, who is secretary of the national bimetallic Democratic committee, was among the arrivals. In conversation he said that probably the first work of the committee would be the appointment of a subcommittee to confer with the national Democratic committee with the view of securing harmonious action in the convention.

Our committee, said Major Towles, referring to the Bimetallic organization, has done much of the work which has resulted in securing a majority for silver in the convention and we want to make sure that the cause is proceeded in the convention. Whatever the predilections of the national convention, I suppose they will show no disposition to deprive the silver majority of the convention of its right to name the temporary chairman and to exercise other rights belonging to the majority, but if such a disposition should be manifested it would be resented, and the silver men would undoubtedly name a candidate of their own for presiding officer. Furthermore, they would there also be to prevent such a thing as this or a clash upon any other point. It will be necessary that our organization should have an understanding with the national committee."

Major Towles has a high idea of the work which has been performed by the bimetallic committee.

"We have done what has never before been done in the history of the country," he said. "We have reorganized the party within the party on account of an economic question. Heretofore when a number of men have found themselves differing radically from the leaders of their party on questions of principle they have found it necessary to separate from the parent organization and to organize a new party. We have revolutionized the Democratic party on the question of the currency and are still in the ranks. That I consider an achievement worthy of note."

Major Towles thinks that when the test comes the silver men will be found to have the necessary two thirds to nominate a presidential candidate. The bimetallic committee has first studiously eliminated the question of candidates for the convention, but it will take the matter in hand later if it appears necessary to secure the nomination of a desirable man.

Senator Cockrell of Missouri was among the arrivals. He is a delegate to the national Democratic convention and is here for the purpose of attending the Democratic silver conference.

"We shall nominate a straight silver man on an unequivocal silver declaration in the platform," he said, when asked for an expression of his views. "I am, of course, for Mr. Bland," he continued, and our delegation is instructed for him, but if we cannot get him, we shall get some other man who is sound on the currency question, and more will support him as the polls."

Senator Harris, who, by virtue of his position as chairman of the national Democratic committee, will preside over the conference, arrived and took quarters at the Sherman House.

The initial meeting of the series will be called to order by him at noon today. The meeting will not be open to the public.

Senator Jones of Arkansas, who will be a prominent figure in these meetings, confirmed the statement of Secretary Towles that the first work of the conference would be to confer with the subcommittee of the national Democratic committee as to the selection of a temporary chairman and as to contests if necessary.

Senator Jones said also that the question of a temporary chairman had not been canvassed and that he had no idea who would be selected for the position. He also stated that he doubted whether, under the circumstances, the contests which had been threatened from Texas, Colorado, Nevada and Nebraska would materialize now that it was so evident that the silver men would have an unquestioned majority.

Mr. Jones says that so far as he has heard from the silver delegates, they practically agree upon the main features of the platform. The idea is to give first place to the financial plank and to make all other questions including the tariff, subservient to this.

Asked what influence he expected Mr. Whitney's coming to Chicago to have upon the convention, the senator replied: "None whatever. It will have no more effect than would a very fine spray on a duck's back."

SENATOR STEWART'S VIEWS.

Thinks the Silver Forces of the Country Will Unite.

WASHINGTON, June 20.—Senator Stewart of Nevada, who some time ago withdrew from the Republican party to act as an independent silver man, started today for Chicago to attend the Democratic convention.

In explanation of his purpose he said: "I go there simply as a private citizen to see any influence I may have to secure a union of the friends of monetary reform on the same candidates for president and vice president. If that can be done there is no question about the success of the candidates."

"What men do you think would best unite the silver forces of the country?" he was asked.

"The two men who appear to command the confidence of all parties are Henry M. Teller and Joseph C. Sibley. For character and ability Henry M. Teller is the peer of any statesman in the United States."

"Would the Populists support Mr. Teller?"

"Certainly. Mr. Teller has done exactly what the Populists did long ago. He has left his party because he believed his party was against the country."

Should the nomination of Bland or Teller [illegible] on the populist

tion of Mr. Tellers?"

"I fear it would not, because it requires the Populists and the Republicans who have left their party to join the Democracy without any action on the part of the Democracy signifying a desire to cooperate. If the silver Democracy have not enough regard for the Populists and silver Republicans to indicate in some substantial way their desires of co-operation, the Populists will nominate a candidate of their own and justify themselves on the ground that they are not willing to trust the Democracy."

COXEY REPLIES TO WHITNEY.

Agrees With That Gentleman That Silverites Have No Desire to Talk.

OMAHA, June 20.—The Bee today publishes the following letter from ex-Governor Boies replying to a message from a New York paper concerning the Whitney declaration:

"Mr. Whitney is entirely right in his conclusion that there is no disposition on the part of those who will represent the silver sentiment of the South and West in the Chicago convention to further discuss the matter at issue with men whose views are diametrically opposed to their own on the currency question.

"Mr. Whitney is entirely wrong in assuming that the free silver Democrats are forsaking the fundamental principle of Democracy or that what he terms sound money Democrats are defending those principles in their endeavor to commit their party to gold monometallism. Over and over again the Democratic party, in national convention assembled has put itself on record in the clearest and most comprehensive language possible to use in favor of bimetallism, in favor of the restoration of silver to its place in our financial system as standard money.

"When Mr. Whitney says the maintenance of our present gold standard is essential to our national credit and redemption of our public pledges, he ignores a great truth of which he cannot be ignorant, he knows that there is not a single obligation of this government outstanding today that by its terms is payable in gold alone."

Satisfaction at Kingston.

KINGSTON, N. Y., June 20.—An enthusiastic ratification McKinley and Hobart meeting was held at the Academy of Music here amid the booming of cannon and lively strains of music.

Raines Committee Meets.

ALBANY, June 20.—Senator Raines and his "liquor tax law" investigating committee, composed of Senators Ford and Foley of New York, Higgins of Ulean and Nussbaum of Albany, met in this city on July 15 at 2 o'clock, perfect an organization and make arrangements for future hearings, the first of which will be held in August. The committee will investigate the workings of the new excise law and will report to the next legislature any amendments it may deem it desirable to perfect it. The legislature appropriated $2,500 for the expenses of the committee.

Evidence Favoring Murderer Cotell.

AKRON, O., June 20.—In the cross-examination of Harry N. Rickey, a newspaper reporter, and T. W. Winnett, a city detective, in the Cotell murder trial, evidence was adduced to substantiate the plea of insanity for the boy murderer. The statements of the two witnesses were very similar, that Cotell told them after his arrest that he did not know that he had committed the crime until 10 days after the murder. When asked how he knew it then he said: "Detective Doran told me."

Have Arms For Cubans.

GALVESTON, June 20.—Mr. Perres, the local Cuban representative, has received the following self explanatory telegram signed by J. D. Pepe, Cuban agent at Key West, Fla.: "Richard Trebuilth with 15 men, six Winchesters, 30 cartridges, medicines and explosives, has landed in Cuba from Florida."

Joe Jefferson's Granddaughter Married.

BELLAIRE BAY, Mass., June 20.—Miss Josephine Jefferson, daughter of Charles H. Jefferson, eldest son of Joseph Jefferson, the comedian, was married here to Charles J. Rolf of Boston. Among the guests was Mrs. Grover Cleveland.

PROFIT IN DAIRY PRODUCTS.

The Farmer's Part of Butter and Cheese Making.

The farmers can hardly be expected to regulate the prices of butter and cheese, but they can regulate in some measure the cost of producing the milk. If farmers will still persist in feeding their cows a ration bordering on starvation, no wonder they find that dairying does not pay. Let them feed their cows in such a manner that they will not decrease their flow of milk after the month of June. Why is it that cows always give lots of milk during June? Because they have plenty of good succulent food. Try, therefore, to arrange your affairs to have some green food to give them after June has passed. Sow a small piece, say half an acre for each five cows you are milking, of oats and vetches, and if vetches cannot be got sow some field peas in their place. This will serve early on good soil, should be fit to cut about the first of July. Cows will not eat much of it at first, but give them all they will eat of it night and morning. Cut it 12 hours before eating, in other words, cut enough in the morning to do them at night; then in the evening cut sufficient for the morning feed. There is nothing better than clover. Clover can also be cut twice and sometimes three times in a season if cut early. Then for September and October be sure to have some corn. This should be cut in the same manner as before.

If fed in this way all summer, with plenty of good pure water to drink at all times and salt every day, cows should give lots of milk. A cow is a manufactory. The mere boots and shoes you can turn out per day with the same help the mere profits there are in the business. The cows are the same; the more milk you can get them to give the more profits you have for your labor. A little grain given daily also will help to swell your profits after the 1st of August, as about that time we may expect both butter and cheese to sell at a better price. If you let your cows take pot luck, the chances are your milk will cost more than you will get for it. On the other hand, if you feed literally of green food, the chances are in your favor of making 10 to 15 cents profit per 100 pounds and perhaps more.

Give the cow a fair chance. Weed out the poor ones in your flock. By means of the scales and Babcock tester you can find out the drones. Keep only those that give enough to pay their board of milk of good quality—that is, rich in butter fat—for the day is not far distant when all factories will be obliged to pay for milk according to quality.

Reduce the cost price of milk to the lowest limit, take good care of it after milking by thoroughly aerating it, and your cheese or butter maker will be enabled to make a first class article and command the highest market price. This is where some of the profit comes in. At the end of the season, if some of the farmers will follow the advice given above, they will, even with the low prices for butter and cheese prevailing, find out that dairying does pay and pays better than most other ways of farming.—Inspector Peter Macfarlane in Montreal Herald.

Freezing Butter Does Not Hurt It.

The old theory that freezing butter injured its flavor or keeping qualities is no longer held by the best informed. We know of several large cold storage concerns where the butter is put in freezing rooms as soon as made in midsummer and at once frozen and held at from 8 to 20 degrees above zero until the following fall and winter. These freezing rooms are constructed on a patent plan and reduce the temperature by the use of pounded salt and ice let down from the ice storage room above into long metal cylinders. If rightly made from sweet, untainted milk, one will hardly know that such butter has been made a week, and neither does it readily pass off flavor.

This great fact should teach those persons who have been in the habit of packing their farm butter in summer and storing it for sale late in the fall that they cannot successfully compete with the finer fresher grades which are already filling the market.—Exchange.

TRUE TO HIS LOVE.

A HUSBAND WHO CHERISHED THE MEMORY OF HIS DEAD WIFE.

Who Peculiar Position In Which He Showed His Faithfulness—Always Acted As If His Wife Was Still With Him—The Pathetic Story Told by a Hotel Clerk.

The Sun reporter was leaning in a graceful attitude against the counter of an up town hotel office, conversing in an inconsistent and nonchalant manner with the haughty and imperious clerk, as reporters always do, when a nice looking old gentleman, with just enough provincialism in his appearance to show that he was not a New Yorker, though he might have come from Philadelphia or any other rural district, came up to the register as if he had been there before and wrote his name and address. In a few minutes the clerk had sent him off to his room with a bellboy and resumed his conversation.

"Queer old chap," he said, nodding in the direction of the departing guest.

The reporter whirled the register around to look at the name.

"Yes?" he replied questioningly. "I see that he has signed himself and wife. Where's the wife? In the ladies' parlor?"

"That'd the queer part of it," continued the clerk with an evident purpose of telling a story, and the reporter became interested. "There isn't any wife. He's a widower, and has been for 15 years, but he has been signing it that way for the ten years I have known him. He is now 60, and was married at 40, and the romance is as pretty as it is pathetic."

"And unusual," ventured the reporter, "if he is faithful to the memory of one woman, and that woman his wife. Widowers are not all so."

"That is why this one's story is the more interesting. Let me tell you. At 25 he was a poor young clerk in a western town and was romantically and deeply in love with a pretty girl of 20. It may be said that she was in love with him, too, but he had queer notions, and as they were both poor, and a rich man was anxious to marry the girl, he never told his love, but let concealment, like a worm in the bud, feed on his damask cheek, as it were, and he pined in thought and with a green and yellow melancholy cat, like patience on a monument, while the other man married her.

"At 34 she was a widow and poor, for her husband had dissipated his fortune, and our friend here, still a bachelor and as much in love as ever, was a successful merchant. This time he was braver, for he was possessed of the sinews of war, and within a year's time he had married her. It was rather hasty on her part, possibly, but he had waited long enough and was so importunate that she compromised with him on one year instead of the regulation two of widowhood. They came to this hotel on their wedding tour and were here two weeks, and one of the proprietors of the hotel informs me that he never has seen a couple more suited to each other and better satisfied with each other. After that he came to the city in the spring and autumn to buy goods, and she always accompanied him, and they seemed to be no further away from the honeymoon season with each recurring year.

"At last, after the fifth spring trip, he did not come, but his manager did, and he said that the wife had died and the husband's mind was affected, though they hoped he would come around all right in time. In the following spring he came again, but he was not the same man any more. His mind was clear on all business matters, but he was 'queer' about his wife, and a sudden faced man couldn't be found anywhere. The old clerk, who had been at the counter on his previous visits, was there when he came again, and after greeting him pleasantly turned the register around for him to sign it. He responded as usual, and when the clerk looked at the name it was followed as before by 'and wife,' as he had been accustomed to sign it. The clerk was about to call his attention to it, but a second thought prompted him not to notice it, and he sent the guest to the bridal chamber, the room he and his wife always occupied, as they did on their first visit.

"During his stay of a week he had very little to say, and if any reference was made to his wife he resented as if she were still alive and was with him at the hotel. At the table, too, he had a place for her, and her meals were served as if she had been there to eat them. When he was ready to go and came for his bill, it was made out as usual, and he paid for two people without comment. Ten years ago, when I came into the office, I received my instructions concerning our particular guest and have since my first meeting him acted with him exactly as if he were accompanied by his wife. I have learned that he follows the same course in all that he does in any way connected with her. He buys two railroad tickets, two theater tickets, two places in any conveyance, two everything, where she might have gone with him, and on trips where she would not have accompanied him in life, such as short trips from his town or to affairs of any kind where it was probable she would not have cared to go, he provides only for himself. He seems to understand what she would be doing all those years and acts accordingly. You noticed him sign that register and go off up stairs?" concluded the clerk. "Well, he does all the rest in the same confident way, just as if she were with him and his first consideration was for her."

"You may not be a poet," said the reporter, "but the story you tell is a poem that all men should learn and cherish in their hearts."—New York Sun.

Paying For Better Fat.

A correspondent asks what a creamery ought to pay for 4 per cent milk when butter sells on the Elgin market for 27 cents a pound. This will depend altogether on the price charged for making or on the contract or arrangement between the creamery and the patrons. If the understanding is that the creamery shall pay as current local rates for butter, Elgin prices do not control. At 23 cents 4 per cent milk would bring the creamery just about $1 per 100 pounds. When the charge is 4 cents for making, the patron would receive about 84 cents for milk. If the charge is 6 cents for making, the patron could not expect more than 76 cents per 100 for milk. A variation of 1 cent a pound on butter will make a difference of 4 to 5 cents per 100 in milk. The addition of one-sixth to the amount of fat in the milk, for estimating the yield of butter, demands extra close work in creaming and churning.—Hoard's Dairyman.

Aerial

At a meeting of some members of a St. Louis W. C. T. U. society Mrs. F. H. Ingalls addressed the ladies on the subject of her recent visits to the dairies in South St. Louis. In her remarks she said she had found that the cows were kept in small stalls night and day without exercise from six months to a year. At the end of the year they were no longer of any account and were sold to the butchers. "The stables had no light or ventilation, the cows were fed on nothing but hot sour mash from the breweries, and the milk pails were washed with the impure water from wells which was used to cool the milk. Often the milk was allowed to cool in the stables uncovered and exposed to all the odors which rendered the air tainted and unfit to breathe.

President Off to Gray Gables.

WASHINGTON, June 20.—The president has arranged his affairs so as to be with his family at Gray Gables on the Fourth of July.

Killed by the Cars.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., June 20.—W. H. Gallup, a contractor and ex-lumberman, has been killed on the Ontario and Western railroad at Jones' Point.

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Bedford, Pa., Sept. 10, '94. Isaac Pierson.

On account of the very vague explanation of the above, I give the history of the case in detail: About 30 years ago, Mr. Pierson, on account of catarrh, became so hard of hearing in his left ear, that the same might not be used there at all for the actual service it did him. The right ear for the last 20 years became worse and worse, and it took some very loud talking for him to understand you. Now, after five months treatment, he can hear with the totally useless ear, so as to say deaf for 30 years, common conversation and even whisper again, and the right ear is almost as good as any good ear might be. Friends who have known him will testify to the correctness of my statement.

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Ft. Allegany	20	22	25	22	20	17	15	12	9	8	6	4	1	20 Tues. 1-6 p.m.
Austin	"	19	26	23	21	18	16	13	10	7	5	3	2	29 Wed. 7 a.m. 2
Coudersport	"	2	30	27	24	22	20	17	14	11	9	7	6	3 Thurs. 1p.m.
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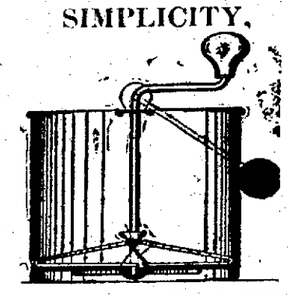

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Buffalo Mail, daily except Sunday, 2:25 p. m.
Train leaving Smethport at 2:25 p. m. connects at Olean with Hornell Division for Alleghany, Salamanca, Oil City and Pittsburg.

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PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE, in effect June 14, 1896.

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION EASTWARD:

8:25 a. m.—Train 4, daily except Sunday, for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6:30 p. m., New York 9:30 p. m., Baltimore 6:50 p. m., Washington 7:45 p. m. Pullman Parlor car through from Williamsport and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia.

2:15 p. m.—Train 6, daily except Sunday, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6:30 a. m., New York 9:25 a. m., Baltimore 6:50 a. m., Washington 7:45 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7:30 a. m.

9:30 p. m.—Train 8, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia 6:30 a. m., New York 9:25 a. m., weekdays (10:30 a. m. Sundays). Baltimore 6:50 a. m., Washington 7:45 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia, and Williamsport to Baltimore. Passengers in sleeper for Baltimore and Washington will be transferred into Washington sleeper at Harrisburg.

WESTWARD.

7:45 a. m.—Train 5, daily except Sunday for Ridgway, DuBois Clermont and intermediate stations, leaves Ridgway 9:15 a. m., for Kane 10:30 a. m., Erie 1:40 p. m., daily for Erie and intermediate stations.

4:05 p. m.—Train 11 daily except Sunday for Kane and intermediate stations.

7:05 p. m.—Train 7, daily except Sunday for Ridgway, arriving at Emporium Jc. 7:55 p. m.

Train 11 leaves Philadelphia 9:25 a. m., Washington 7:30 a. m., Baltimore 9:05 a. m., Harrisburg 12:15 a. m., daily except Sunday, arriving at Emporium Junction 4:05 p. m. with Williamsport and passenger coaches to Erie.

Train 8, leaves New York 9:30 p. m., Philadelphia 12:01 a. m., Washington 10:05 p. m., Baltimore 11:05 p. m., daily arriving at Emporium Junc. 8:05 a. m., with Pullman Palace sleeping cars from Philadelphia to Erie and from Washington and Baltimore to Williamsport and passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Kane.

JOHNSONBURG RAILROAD.
Daily except Sunday.

NORTH	STATIONS.	SOUTH
A. M. Lv.		Ar. A. M.
9 20	Ridgway	11 40
9 39	Johnsonburg	11 21
9 45	Ridgway Junction	11 15
9 55	Glen Hazel	11 05
10 01	Straight	11 00
10 10	Iowa	10 50
10 15	Smith's Run	10 45
10 27	Woodvale	10 33
10 35	Grant	10 25

Connections are made with train 1, leaving Johnsonburg at 8:32 a. m. for Erie and intermediate points, arriving at Erie 5:30 p. m., also at Ridgway with train 6, leaving Ridgway at 2:10 p. m. for Smethport, New York, Baltimore and Washington.

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